

Torrance, California
June 29, 1938

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Special Meeting in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance, California, on Wednesday, June 29, 1938 at 11:30 A.M.

Mayor Tolson called the meeting to order.

Clerk Bartlett called the roll, those answering present being Councilmen: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. Absent: Councilmen: None.

Clerk Bartlett read the call of the meeting, being "for the purpose of reorganizing the Police and Fire Department and appointing a Director of Public Safety, and regulating hours of City Judge."

A recess was declared by the Mayor.

The meeting was resumed at 11:48 A.M.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the office of Chief of Police be declared vacant and that Chief of Police Calder be reduced to the rank and salary of Captain of Police Department effective as of July 1, 1938. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Powell moved that the office of Fire Chief be declared vacant and that Fire Chief Stevenson be reduced to the rank and salary of Captain of the Fire Department effective as of July 1, 1938. Councilman Murray seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Police Captain Stroh be appointed to the position of Director of Public Safety, to have full authority over both the Police Department and the Fire Department, for a probationary period of six months at a salary of \$225.00 per month, effective as of July 1, 1938. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman McGuire moved that the hours of the City Court of the City of Torrance, with the City Judge in attendance, be established as from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 A.M. and from 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M., from Monday to Friday inclusive, and from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 A.M. on Saturday, legal holidays excepted, to become effective July 1, 1938. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Murray, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

At 12:09 P.M. upon motion of Councilman McGuire, seconded by Councilman Hitchcock, the meeting adjourned.

A. H. B. Bartlett
City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved:

Wm. J. Tolson
Mayor of the City of Torrance